

21st day session of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw held

NAY PYI TAW, 16 March-The 21st day session of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw took place at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building here at 10 am today, attended by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint, Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann and 508 Pyidaungsu Hluttaw representatives.

At today's session, discussion of matters related to the national planning bill of the 2012-2013 fiscal year continued, it was presented again by respective Union level organizations and decision was sought from Pyidaungsu Hluttaw to approve the whole bill; the matter of admission to the Inter-Parliamentary Union-IPU was submitted and decision was sought from the Hluttaw; the formation of Myanmar Parliament was submitted; the speech to be delivered by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker was submitted and recorded; and observations and opinions of the Joint Bill Committee regarding environmental conservation bill, vacant, fallow and virgin land management bill and the 2011 farmland bill were explained.

The Speaker said regarding the 2012-2013 national planning bill, Daw Nan Wah Nu of Kunhing Constituency submitted a proposal on Myanmar National Human Rights Commission at the 20th day session on 15-3-2012. In connection with the proposal, the Joint Bill Committee remarked that the formation of MNHRC does not conform to the constitution and existing laws. So, he said, the Speaker decided that the inclusion of the commission in the leading committee and inclusion of the commission's expenses in the budget were cancelled.

Next, U Min Swe of DaikU Constituency submitted the proposal to reduce the work volume of Fines Arts Department and Archaeology and National Museum and Library Department under the Ministry of Culture by 65.9 percent. Then, Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan said he had no discussion of the proposal and the Hluttaw announced to approve it.

U Soe Tha of Twantay Constituency submitted the proposal to amend the supplement-2 title '2012-2013 State-owned Sector Investment Allocation' of the national planning bill of the 2012-2013 fiscal year as '2012-2013 State-owned Sector Work Projects and Investment Allocation'. Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Tin Naing Thein said he had no discussion of the proposal and the Hluttaw announced to approve it. The Hluttaw also announced approval of the proposal as the whole Appendix-2 including its amendments should be part of the bill.

Union Minister U Tin Naing Thein submitted the proposal to approve the whole national planning bill of the 2012-2013 fiscal year. Amyotha Hluttaw Representative U San Pyae of Kachin State Constituency (7) seconded the proposal and the Hluttaw approved it.

After that, the Speaker said that the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw has approved the 2012-2013 national planning bill with today's amendments; that starting 20-3-2012, the 2012 Union Budget bill and its principles and nature will be discussed at the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw; and that therefore, the Union Government is to promptly send the 2012 Union Budget Bill that is in conformity with the provisions of the 2012-2013 national planning bill which has been approved by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw with amendments.

The Speaker submitted to the Hluttaw the matter of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw's admission to Inter-Parliamentary Union and the formation of Myanmar Parliament Association in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar with suitable persons. As the Hluttaw agreed to it, the matter was approved.

Then, the Speaker said that he will deliver a speech on the ongoing and future tasks of the Hluttaws at a preliminary session on discussion of the statement (draft) of ASEAN Members of Parliament Conference Chairman before the meeting of Head/Leaders of ASEAN countries and ASEAN MPs

Conference leaders is held on 2 and 3 April and he submitted to the Hluttaw about it. And its was recorded as the Hluttaw agreed to it.

Joint Bill Committee member U Hsai Paung Nat explained observations and opinions about environmental conservation bill, member U Myint Tun about vacant, fallow and virgin land management bill and member U Thaung about the 2011 farmland bill.

Those representatives wishing to discuss the bills may send their brief discussions to the director-general of the Hluttaw Office.

Today's session concluded at 11.am and the 22nd session will be held on at 10 am on 19 March.-MNA

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